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Subject: Microsoft Settlement

Dear Sirs-Dept.of Justice

I believe strongly that the current settlement agreed with DOJ and nine states is very fair to all parties ,especially CONSUMERS. The freedom to innovate should be protected for the continued benefit of consumers and a competitive economy. The pending objection by the nine states and their efforts to stop the settlement is just a ploy by less competent competitors via their lobbyists to restrict Microsoft and add to the costs paid by consumers for inferior products. Consumers have not been properly heard in this case; they would have thrown it out long ago; it has been a waste of taxpayers money to proceed against Microsoft without any significant complaint of MICROSOFT USERS and that they were harmed in a material way!

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